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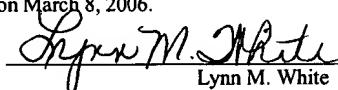
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USING PRESTORED ADVANCE BASES

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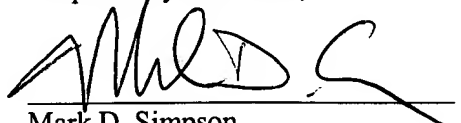
Sir:

It is hereby requested that the term to file an Appeal Brief further to the Notice of Appeal filed on December 6, 2005 be extended one month, from February 8, 2006 to March 8, 2006.

See the enclosed Transmittal Letter Regarding Payment of Fees for charging authorization and instructions. Briefly, the Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge the fee for filing of an Appeal Brief (\$500.00) to Deposit Account No. 09-0457; a Credit Card Authorization Form (Form PTO 2038) is enclosed to cover the one-month extension fee of \$120.00. Any additional fees associated with this communication should be charged to Deposit Account No. 09-0457. A duplicate of this letter is attached for charging purposes.

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